“Night in the Mansion” Family Overnight Returns to McCormick Museum

WHEATON, IL, March 12, 2013 — A popular Cantigny Park event returns on Friday, April 12, when the Robert R. McCormick Museum presents “A Night in the Mansion” Family Overnight. Participation is geared toward children ages 5 to 10 and their parents or guardians.

Guests will enjoy a variety of activities inside the historic former home of Cantigny’s benefactor, Robert R. McCormick. The evening begins with a special program featuring raptors from Willowbrook Wildlife Center in Glen Ellyn. Other planned activities include a pillowcase craft and a flashlight tour of the mansion. Everyone will then settle into their sleeping bags to watch movies in the historic Gold Theatre.

A light breakfast will be served in the museum on Saturday morning. Overnight guests may then wish to explore Cantigny Park on their own or even join the monthly bird walk.

“A Night in the Mansion” begins at 6:30 pm on April 12. The cost is $45 per person ($40.50 for Cantigny Plus members) and includes craft supplies, snacks, movie, continental breakfast and complimentary parking. One adult for every four children is required. Reservations (required) can be made online at Cantigny.org or by calling 630.260.8162. Space is limited.

The McCormick Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday. Admission and guided tours are complimentary. More information about Cantigny—including museum and park hours, directions and a calendar of upcoming events—is online at Cantigny.org.

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About the Robert R. McCormick Museum
The McCormick Museum is a historic house museum interpreting the life and legacy of Colonel Robert R. McCormick, longtime editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune. It is located at Cantigny, the Colonel’s 500-acre Wheaton (Illinois) estate that he left as a gift to the public. Cantigny Park, part of the Robert R. McCormick Foundations, is home to the McCormick Museum, First Division Museum, formal gardens, picnic grounds, walking trails and a Visitors Center with banquet and dining facilities. Cantigny Golf, adjacent to the park, features a 27-hole championship golf course, full-service clubhouse, Cantigny Golf Academy and the 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links.

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